

CLEAN & GREEN COMMISSION
Minutes, Monday, August 2nd, 2010

Member Presents: Anne Little,, Laura Shepherd , Paula Chow,, Mary Repass, Carolyn Helfrich, George Solley, Diane Jones, Dave King

Call to Order at 6pm

The minutes from 5/3/10 were submitted for approval. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Dave King gave an update on the storm damage from the two storms in July. About 150 trees have been taken down so far and more will be evaluated over the next month.

We discussed finances and the fact that money from the tree planting fund was depleted to pay for tree removal. Councilor Solley will approach Council for additional funds for trees for planting in 2011.

We discussed and approved final guidelines for utility strip trees. The list will be utilized by Public Works, Parks and Recreation and Tree Fredericksburg for planting along City Streets.

We discussed a Commission Strategic Plan as it relates to City Comp Plan. We will be sending suggestion to City Council to consider when they meet for their conference taking into consideration:

- Our Bylaws
- City Comp Plan
- Leadership Fredericksburg Strategic Plan

Clean Committee gave updates on the following:

- School and Litter symposium – to be held August 3rd. at Lafayette School. A number of us will attend.
- Christmas Parade – We are working to make our presence at this event bigger and make more impact.
- Cigarette Campaign –We are stalled on this initiative. We need to find a grant to fund this.
- Tree Committee gave the following updates:
- The Tree plan from 2005 – needs to be revisited and we need a way to fund a real tree plan. Cost would be about 50k
- Downtown River Park – Mike Ward was not present to give an update
- Fall Tree Planting plan – Anne Little presented a brief update. Right now there is only enough money to fund about 80 trees for the year. We are looking for grant money and also seeing if the City can help fund more trees.
- Downtown trees are failing badly with the drought. Tree Fredericksburg has been watering 385 trees throughout the summer, and will water an additional 25 trees in the downtown area with water tubes to keep them alive. This initiative was approved by Dave King.

A motion for adjournment was approved at 6:00pm